

County News

MIAMI

Our Miami people as well as people of all surrounding places are rejoicing over the fact that "Wonderland," the famous floating opera will be at Miami one day next week.

Judson Casbolt and bride were dinner guests of the family of J. S. Copeland last Sunday week.

Mrs. Bob Haynie and Mrs. Skelton of near Fairville visited Mrs. John Miller of Miami last week.

Ivan Purcell is here from Kansas City and has rented a house for his mother, Mrs. Lue Purcell and also for his sister-in-law, who are to make their home in Miami during the summer term.

Lillian Irene Godman, daughter of Tom Godman and wife has been quite complaining during this farm weather.

Geo. Limpson, who sells the western mills products of Marshalltown, Iowa, called on the trade in Miami last week.

Jerry Harris and sons, Tom Jones and Robert Snoddy caught all the fish at Waken, Ia., last week.

Mrs. Henrietta Liebert will shortly visit her daughter, Mrs. Geni Evans at Newton, Kansas.

Max Haynie again went to Kansas City to receive treatment for an affliction of his jaw.

Frank Latimer, our county surveyor, attended to business here last week.

Dave Burruss, who sells goods for a Carrollton grocery firm, called on the Miami trade last week.

Eph Crispin of DeWitt has rented the Miami house and will buy wheat in Miami during the season.

Mrs. Al. Parker and little sons Conrad and Louie, came over last week to visit and to take Mrs. Liebert, mother of Mrs. Parker to Marshall for a short visit.

Ed. Stoner and wife were shopping visitors at Slater Saturday and while there Mrs. Stoner was dinner guest of Mrs. Will Healer, who is quite a friend of Mrs. Stoner.

John Frontz has recently completed a new launch and put it out on the water for use.

Geo. Jackson, Chas. Hamner, Marvin Ayres, F. M. Burruss and Raymond Casbolt attended the ball game at Marshall Sunday.

Will Long and family, Lacy Long and family, Van and Frank Long and families, spent Sunday at White's Island.

Robert Parish, who went to Kansas City to be operated on stood the ordeal fairly well.

Quite a crowd of "old, middle-aged and young" attended services and basket dinner at Calvary church last Sunday.

Mrs. Martin Hudson drove over to Marshall on last Thursday, met her mother Mrs. J. H. Noonon of Excelsior Springs and brought her to Miami for a visit.

Jackson Walker and wife entertained at dinner on last Sunday a week ago, Ed. Staub, wife and daughter, Gladys of near Marshall.

Miss Wanda Howorker of Slater who has been visiting Miss Dee Hise returned to her home last Sunday.

John Elder continues quite ill at the home of his daughter in Carrollton. It is now feared he is afflicted with typhoid symptoms.

Four young men from the south recently arrived at Miami to get employment.

Price Peterman started in on his work in his fine wheat field Monday. Ollie Burns made a flying trip from Marshall to Miami on Tuesday of last week and took home with him several gallons of cherries grown on his mother's home place in Miami.

Mrs. Eva Miller and daughter, Miss Eva and Tom Jones and wife of St. Louis and little Edward Byers all motored to Marshall on Tuesday of last week and made their summer purchases.

Miss Annie Fisher is visiting friends in Slater this week.

Bob Wright is becoming famous in Miami for his ability in the construction of fine furniture. He has lately made a writing desk, sewing table and also a mission table that shows much skill in that line of work.

Miss Ola Yowell of Grand Pass was the guest of her relative, Mrs. C. G. Vaughn last week.

Miss Della Isaacs is employed as an assistant in a telephone office in Slater.

Mrs. Fred Beckley returned Monday to her home at Ossawatimie, Kas., after a weeks visit here.

Jas McAmis and son, Guy of Marshall, came over in their car and bought 500 bushels of corn from the Allen place near Miami.

C. C. Gray's daughter, Mrs. Monna, from Kansas City is keeping house for him at the Hise house this summer.

Both Isaac is acting as companion for Mrs. Elizabeth Lemmon, whose home is nearby.

Miss Leda Griffith returned to her home in Carrollton Tuesday after a short visit to the Kieffer home on College street.

There was quite a large dinner party at the home of Riley Henson last Sunday. The guests were Jerry Yuille, wife and daughter, Mrs. Mattie Saunders and two children of Clinton, Mo., Mrs. Hensons brother and family from Wakenda, Tom Godman and family and Walter Hopkins and family.

The snag boat, Missouri, passed Miami Saturday working slowly on its way up stream.

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Attorney Wayne Hayman went to Sedalia on Wednesday, where he spent several days on legal business.

While in Sedalia Mr. Hayman had a fall and was seriously injured. He is recovering at present writing.

Mr. William Simral came home from Columbia on Wednesday and will spend the summer holidays with his mother, Mrs. D. E. Simral.

The German Lutheran Sunday school gave a large picnic on the spring grounds on Thursday of last week.

The Sweet Springs orchestra furnished the beautiful music for the occasion and an elegant lunch was served in great abundance. It was a pretty sight to watch the gaily dressed little girls and boys marching with wreaths and flags to the picnic.

Mr. E. P. Coffelt died on Thursday night after a lingering illness. Mr. Coffelt last week underwent the operation of having his leg amputated and died from the effects of the operation.

Dr. and Mrs. Harrison with their two daughters, motored over from Marshall on Sunday and visited Mrs. Robert Carey and Miss Lavina Yerby at Mrs. Carey's cottage in the park.

Little Miss Loreen Colgt of Sedalia, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. J. Holzen, returns to her home on Wednesday of this week.

Miss Mary Olive Francisco is attending the summer school session at Warrensburg, but will return here in the fall and teach the Elder Ridge school west of town.

Mrs. Howard Potts and baby daughter of Kansas City are the guests of Mrs. Pott's sister, Mrs. C. U. Hall.

Mrs. W. C. Hall and Miss Mattie Hall returned on Friday night from a two weeks visit to Mrs. Hugo Hennessy of Marshall. Miss Josephine Hennessy returned with Mrs. Hall and will spend some time with her friends here.

Miss Myrtle Smith was hostess for a morning reception at the City Hotel on Wednesday morning.

Mr. Frank Nelson and Mr. Lake Tiedale left last week for south Missouri, where they will spend a week or two hunting and fishing.

Miss Marie Evans attained her twelfth birthday last week and entertained a good many of her young friends in honor of the occasion.

Mr. Warren Hedges took two hundred pounds of beautiful honey on Monday morning. Mr. Hedges has a number of bees, which he finds profitable.

Messrs. W. C. and Jack Hall returned on Saturday night from Higginsville.

Mrs. John Brown of Fulton is the guest of Mrs. G. W. Smith and Mrs. M. G. Brown.

Mr. Charles Reavis returned last week from Kansas City, where he has been in a hospital for several weeks. He returns with health much improved.

Miss Mary Neale of Higginsville was here for several days last week, visiting friends and relatives.

The music pupils of Miss Mary Hughes are to give a recital at the Presbyterian church here on Tuesday evening the 17th. Miss Hughes has taught here for nearly a year and has a splendid class, which is doing fine work.

Mr. and Mrs. Branson from near Higginsville were here Saturday and Sunday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Cooper.

Miss Golden Lynch of Odessa is in town, the guest of Miss Gertrude Godlove and Miss Ruth Barks.

Mr. Amos Elmer and Miss Emma Naegelin were married on Sunday the 15th inst., at the residence of the bride near town.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. John have purchased the house on the corner of Marshall and Locust streets, which belonged to Misses Heineman and Lilet and will build a modern cottage there in the near future.

MISSOURI THE CLIMBER

Ex W. L. Nelson in the Missouri Ruralist.

Missourians are not given to "horrortelling." Like a good horse, the average Missourian prefers to go right on pulling without stopping to blow about it. Still, there are times when even the most modest Missourian, proud of his splendid state, feels like shaking and giving expression to the justifiable pride that he feels. And only facts and figures—only truths—are necessary to make the Missouri farmer proud of his home state. It is a big thing to live in one of the top agricultural states of the Union—and Missouri, let it be remembered, has now moved up to fourth place, passing some states that once ranked above her and leaving in the dim distance many more. The fourth agricultural state in the nation! That's a position of which to be proud.

A recent official publication issued by the United States Department of Agriculture and giving the value of all crops reported quantitatively shows Texas first, with crop values for the year 1912 amounting to \$407,166,000; Illinois, second, \$289,326,000; Iowa, third, \$251,395,000; Missouri, fourth, \$196,968,000; Ohio, fifth, \$190,718,000; Kansas, sixth, \$182,363,000.

A further analysis of these figures shows Missouri's superiority. The total land area of Missouri is but 43,985,280 acres as compared with 167,934,720 acres in Texas. Missouri with only about one-fourth the land area, produced last year farm crops worth approximately one-half as much as all Texas—and practically every bushel of grain grown on Missouri farms was within easy reach of railroads and near the great markets and consuming centers. Now that the cost of marketing is finally being considered, as it should long ago have been, the easy haul and the short ship will perhaps appear of more importance than in the past.

Interest—and again we strike a live question, that of farm finance and land loan systems—is another item in which the Missouri farmer has an advantage as compared with the farmers of many western states. The Missouri farmer is not asked to pay 10 or even 9 per cent interest, and many farm loans are negotiated at 6 per cent or less.

Let us consider that great staple, corn—and in so doing we use government, not state, figures. In 1912 Texas farmers cultivated 7,500,000 acres of corn land; Missouri farmers, 7,875,000. The corn average for the three states differed but little—the difference is in the yield. Texas grew 153,300,000 bushels of corn; Kansas, 174,225,000; Missouri, 243,994,000. In other words for his work the Texas farmer got 21 bushels of corn per acre, the Kansas farmer 23 bushels and the Missouri farmer 32 bushels. Because it is to the west and southwest that the Missourian who has left the state in search of better farming opportunities has generally gone, comparisons are made with Texas and Kansas, the only western states that rank high in total value of agricultural production for the year 1912.

From the foregoing figures it will be seen that had the Missouri farmer planted 2 million acres less of corn than he did in 1912 he could still have harvested more corn than did the Kansas farmer. Had this same Missouri farmer planted 3 million acres less of corn he could have grown as much corn as did all Texas. It's the corn in the crib that counts! It's cultivation that counts!

The cost of growing an acre of corn including rent of land is placed at \$12.27 for the United States. So the Missouri farmer, by being able to save the cost of cultivating 2 or 3 million acres and still grow as much corn as Kansas or Texas, has an advantage that is worth considering.

The Missouri farmer has another advantage; nature is "on his side." Farming in Missouri is a safe proposition. Never yet has there been a general crop failure. In 1911 there was insufficient rainfall for a bumper crop, yet them, as always, the Missouri farmer through persistent cultivation harvested 191,334,000 bushels of corn averaging 25.3 bushels per acre. Occasionally there are overflows in river bottoms. These leave a deposit of soil so rich that in some states, where there are abandoned farms, this soil might be sacked and sold as fertilizer. A western cyclone or sand storm has no such soil improving qualities.

No other state grows so many crops so well. Here almost every kind of farming may be successfully followed. True, oranges, for instance, cannot be successfully grown in Missouri, but a case of eggs is worth more than a box of oranges—and Missouri is the leading poultry state of the Union.

Missouri ranks fourth among agricultural states of the nation because of the diversity of her crops. No system of one-crop farming ever has or ever will rob her fields of their fertility.

To move up from sixth to fourth place among the great agricultural states is progress indeed for Missouri, but when comes the time when every acre is doing its duty, it is not too much to look forward to first place.

Of the three states that today outrank Missouri in crop production one has approximately 2,500,000 more people, another about 125 million more acres. Surely, Missouri is the quality state!

COAL MINE WAR.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., June 16.—With industrial war again declared in West Virginia, the Senate Coal Strike Investigating Committee today confronted a situation critical and complicated.

Word from the isolated sections of Paint Creek and Cabin Creek that the strike was again on drifted into Charleston from a half dozen sources, and representatives of mine operators, miners and state officials sought in vain for word from the little camps along the creeks.

The union attorneys appearing before the committee said that they were certain the men had declined to get back to work today at meetings held yesterday, but they were unable to make any estimate of the number of men who struck.

There were comparatively few union men in the field, they said, but they believed both union and non-union men decided to quit.

For days the New River miners, numbering 15,000, have threatened trouble, and it was feared the new outbreak on Paint and Cabin creeks would precipitate a struggle there.

Bad Faith Charged.

The miners' meeting at Eskdale and Kayford, according to reports reaching Charleston, voted to renew the strike on the ground, that the operators had not lived up to their agreement to take the strikers back to work without discriminating.

This claim and the story that mine guards had "beaten up" four men of Cabin Creek Saturday caused the decision.

With feeling between miners and mine operators again keyed up to a high pitch, the Senate Committee called upon the mine operators.

Former guards, detectives and special agents and miners and union operators thronged the lobby of the hotel, where the committee was in session, and crowded the room where the hearing was being held.

Glances of bitter resentment and an occasional muttered word among the scores of men gathered about the committee hotel bore witness to the ill feeling that still prevails here.

The story of Lee Valvine, ex-mine guard, relating to the shooting up of the strikers' camp at Holly Grove, has crystallized much of the ill feeling, and even among the attorneys before the committee an occasional glance of bitterness shows the undercurrent of resentment.

REBELLIOUS MOROS.

MANILA, P. I., June 16.—Complete rout of the rebellious Moros on Mount Bagaak was accomplished by the American forces, with the loss of six men killed and seven wounded.

Reports of the engagement reaching here by wireless from the island of Jolo are but meager.

All the Americans killed were members of the several companies of scouts.

In the first advance upon the mountain last week the Moros were nearly dislodged from their positions. The number of dead among the Moros is not known.

Last night's battle began just before dark. The fighting was fierce, the natives repeating their sorties with boldness.

The American advance was so determined the Moros stole away and left the mountain clear. They are, at large and will be pursued ceaselessly.

Brig. Gen. John J. Pershing, commanding the Department of Mindanao is enthusiastic in his praise of the conduct of his men.

The killing of the six Americans makes the death total eleven in routing the forces of the Sultan of Jolo. The first attack was Thursday, when an American captain and three Philippine scouts perished.

It is believed the losses on the part of the enemy were heavy. A second fight occurred Friday, and one man was killed.

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TWELVE MISSOURI ROADS NAMED

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 17.—The state rate decisions which marked the session of the supreme court yesterday are regarded by some as merely the beginning of a fight by the railroads against low rates.

In each case where a railroad failed to sustain its claim that the state rates were confiscatory the supreme court specifically preserved the right of the road to begin new proceedings.

This was true as to two roads in Minnesota, twelve in Missouri and two in Arkansas, where Justice Hughes said the data on which the claim of confiscation was based was too general.

Whether any road can collect data before the Interstate Commerce Commission concludes its valuation of all the railroad property in the United States sufficiently accurate to satisfy the court that proper valuations have been arrived at is a new question.

Justice Hughes made it clear that the court will not accept generalizations or opinions as to valuations and expenses.

Even tests of days or weeks will not satisfy. Lawyers construe the court's opinion as saying that the railroads must invent a more detailed system of bookkeeping.

It has been estimated that the Interstate Commerce Commission will not complete its valuation within five years. In the meanwhile, it is regarded as certain that some railroads will seek to convince the court they have accurate figures to show confiscation.

Within the week after the Minnesota rate decision was announced the Norfolk & Western filed in the supreme court a suit in which it claimed the 2-cent passenger law of West Virginia was confiscatory.

The law was held constitutional in the suit of the Chesapeake & Ohio, but that road did not raise the point of confiscation.

The unusual situation of low rates being applicable to others was pronounced by Justice Hughes in the Missouri rate decision as being entirely constitutional.

RATE SITUATION.

"Our Public Service Commission will be able to fully adjust the rate situation in Missouri with these decisions as our guide," said John M. Atkinson of Missouri, chairman of the Public Service Commission.

Mr. Atkinson arrived in Washington with representatives of similar commissions in other states to confer with the Interstate Commerce Commission regarding state co-operation in carrying out the commission's physical valuation of railroads.

He was speaker of the Missouri House when the 4-cent fare and the amended maximum freight rate laws were enacted.

At the request of The Republic correspondent he prepared the following statement as to the scope and effect of the Missouri decision:

"The principles announced in the Minnesota rate cases last Monday have been affirmed in the Missouri cases, giving the state the absolute right to make intrastate rates regardless of any effect that such rates might have on interstate rates."

"The state in this suit wins thirteen of her appeals and loses five, and those are appeals affecting small roads with little mileage in the state."

"The trial court permitted the railroads to offer evidence that the actual value of the roads for rate-making purposes was three times the value fixed by the State Board of Equalization."

"The court held that such was error. Under the laws of Missouri the franchises of the roads are required to be assessed for taxation purposes, but such values should not be included for rate-making purposes."

"The trial court made the division in each case between the cost of doing intrastate and interstate business upon the basis of gross revenue with an addition for the extra cost of intrastate traffic, this being estimated at not less than 50 per cent in the case of freight."

The United States supreme court has decided that Porter Charlton must return to Italy to answer to the charge of murdering his wife at Lake Como in June, 1910. The couple were there on their honeymoon. Mrs. Charlton's body was found crumpled in a trunk at the bottom of the lake. Charlton fled to New York. He confessed to killing his wife. He could not be tried in this country. His extradition to Italy was fought on the ground that Italy refused to surrender criminals to the United States.

Viscount Chinda the Japanese Ambassador has advised Secretary Bryan that Japan is willing to renew for another period of five years her arbitration treaty with the United States which expires by limitation August 26th.

Keeping the Body in Repair

Nature intended that the body should do its own repairing—and it would do so were it not for the fact that most of us live other than a natural life.

Nature didn't intend that we should wear corsets, tight collars or shoes, nor live in badly ventilated and draughty houses, nor eat and drink some of the things that we do, nor ride in street cars when we should walk. The consequence is that the body when it gets out of order must look for outside help to make the necessary repairs.

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Roy Bargar to Lot A. Doughty lot 4 blk 5 Smith's add Marshall, Mo. \$2000.00.

C. W. Bridges and C. H. Tucker to Elmer J. Rose lot 8, blk 2 Grand View, Slater, Mo., \$75.00.

Nancy Jackson to Armistead Green 6 acres in 20-49-19, \$137.50.

Joseph B. Meschede to Harry I. Withers 3 acres in 5-51-21, \$1600.00.

Ethel C. Mead to Alberta Shannon lot 2 blk 20 West Slater, Mo., \$7000.

Geo. M. Blackburn to R. T. Barksdale lots 11 and 12 blk 15 Slater, \$3000.00.

Wm. Reider to Jos Linebery lots 8 and 9 blk 3 West Slater 1-7 Int. \$171.50.

R. T. Barksdale to Geo. and Nellie F. Blackburn irregular lot Slater \$4500.00.

Lydia Asbury to Thomas J. Towsey 20 acres in 9-52-20, \$1.00.

Althea Willis et al., to Jno. K. Benson 20 acres in 15-52-20, \$1100.

D. S. Vanstone to Carl R. Wilson, 190 acres in 6 and 7-51-22, \$7800.

D. S. Vanstone to Wm. J. Brown, 80 acres in sec. 7-51-22, \$3200.

Martha A. and Mary F. Woodward to Wm. A. S. Hyland lot 199 E. Marshall, \$2225.

Minerva and Nettie McMillen to Emil D. Vawter, lot 76 E. Marshall \$1900.

Richard A. Jenkins to Sarah L. Bailly lot 17, blk 10, Slater, Mo., \$1500.

Senator Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas is called a "lightning-change artist." He was elected Governor of Arkansas last September. He resigned from the House, January 14 of this year, took the oath of office as Governor, January 16, and was elected Senator from Arkansas, January 25th, although he did not take the oath of office as United States Senator until March 4th.

Mahmond Scheffket Pasha, Turkish Grand Vizier, was assassinated by two men armed with revolvers, who attacked him, while he was proceeding in his motor car to the Sublime Porte at Constantinople, Ibrahim Bey, aid de camp of the Grand Vizier was also killed. The assassins are believed to have been civilians.

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GIANT OWL NEARLY KILLS BOY.

GREENVILLE, Pa., June 17.—In a desperate encounter with a giant owl yesterday morning Albert Smith was badly worried and only managed to escape with his life after his faithful hound had come to his aid.

Smith, 15 years old, was about a mile from the city when attacked by the monster owl bird. In a few minutes Smith began to weaken from the lass of blood, which flowed from the wounds inflicted by the owl and was on his knees when his hound "Denny" came to his aid.

The dog sprang on the owl and secured a hold on its neck. Although the owl cut up the dog badly, it was choked to death. During the fight between the animals Smith fainted and was found unconscious.

His face, neck, breast and arms were terribly lacerated by the owl's talons and beak. The bird measured 7 feet 3 inches from tip to tip.

PLANNED TO KILL THE DOCTOR.

SANNAH, Ga., June 17.—That Mrs. Kate Whisnant, the young widow who killed herself late yesterday afternoon after she had shot to death Dr. Gug O. Brinkley in his private office here, had determined before she left her home to kill the physician is indicated in a note Mrs. Whisnant addressed to her mother, which was found at her home today. In this note Mrs. Whisnant stated that "something dreadful" was about to happen and she besought her mother's forgiveness for her intended act.

ON AGAIN!